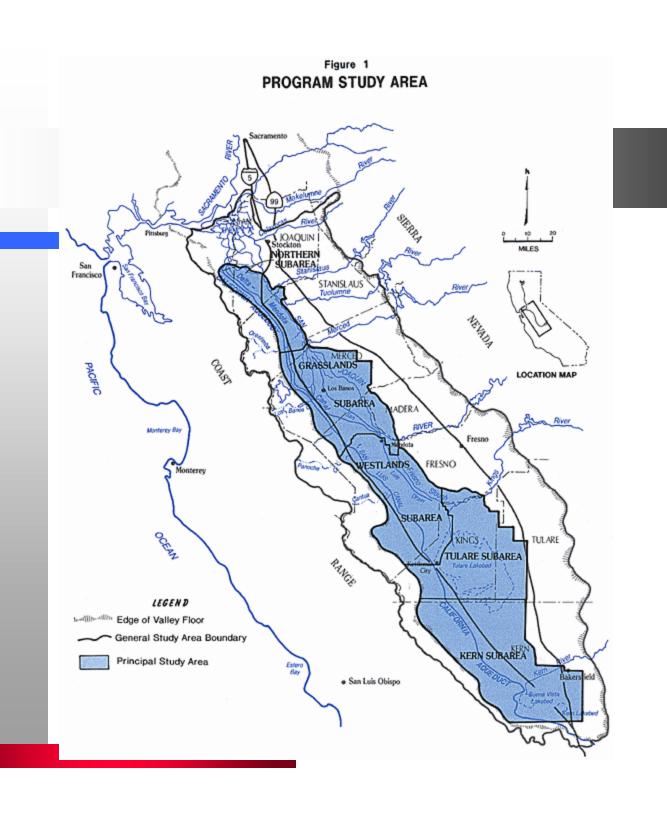
#### SJVDIP Overview of Activities

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#### The 1990 Rainbow Report

- Manage drainage water in the Valley
- Limited discharge through the San Joaquin River

### Program/MOU Goals

- Coordinate agency drainage programs
- Facilitate implementation of the 1990 Rainbow Report recommendations

#### SJVDIP- Previous Efforts

- Have worked with local entities to develop consensus solutions
- Have promoted or endorsed financing of drainage management projects
- Member agencies have utilized their resources to collect data, technical support and funding to resolve drainage problems

## The SJVDIP 1997 Activity

- Update the Rainbow Report
  - A coalition of university and districts initiative

### The Activity Goals

- In cooperation with local districts, growers, and University update drainage management recommendations of the 1990 Report
- Develop mechanisms for voluntary implementation

### The Activity Phases

- Phase I- Technical and Subarea
  Committee evaluation of drainage options
- Phase II -Ad Hoc Coordination
  Committee analysis and
  recommendations
- Phase III- Updated plan voluntary implementation

#### Subarea Committees

- Grasslands Subarea
- Westlands Subarea
- Tulare/Kern Subareas

#### **Technical Committees**

- Source control
- On-farm drainage reuse
- Drainage treatment
- Land retirement
- Evaporation ponds
- Groundwater management
- River discharge
- Selenium and salt utilization

#### Present Status

- Eight Technical Committee reports completed in 1999
- Three Subarea reports completed in 1998-99
- Ad Hoc Coordination Committee
  Report completed in February 2000

## AHCC Recommended Course of Action

- Emphasis on Drainage Reduction
- Emphasis on Drainage Management
- Emphasis on Salt End Point (disposal)

## AHCC Coordinated Program for SJR Basin: short-term

- Upgrade real-time monitoring program
- Develop and implement drainage treatment
- Develop drainage reuse, recycling, and salt disposal
- Irrigation and drainage workshops

# AHCC Coordinated Program for SJR Basin-long-term

- Develop real-time drainage discharge
- Reduce discharges of B, Mo, salts
  - treatment
  - in-valley salt disposal
- Evaluate feasibility of extension of the SLD downstream of Merced River
- Develop site-specific Se objectives

#### SJVDIP Phase III Process

Future Course of Action

#### Phase III Purpose

- Voluntary implementation of projects using 1990 Plan and the AHCC Report
  - Drainage reduction, management, and in-valley salt end point projects
- Support planning efforts of other agencies and organizations to identify remaining long-term drainage needs and actions

## Phase III Strategy

- Cooperate with local entities to pursue implementation of on-site projects
- Provide institutional and financial support
- Support planning initiatives of regional drainage organizations and member agencies

#### Phase III Actions

- Develop framework or cooperative agreements with local entities
- Advance project proposals
- Review local entity proposals
- Support planning, implementation, and monitoring

## Organization

- Interagency Program Management
  Group-policy level
- MG to form a stakeholder advisory committee

#### Roles

- SJVDIP agencies to coordinate programs and budgets to:
  - help locals to develop projects
  - support to implement the projects
- Advisory committee to review and provide input
- Locals to participate in planning, implementation, financing, and monitoring of projects

#### Assurances

#### SJVDIP to:

- participate in planning
- recommend the endorsed plans for funding
- participate in monitoring

### Funding

CALFED, Proposition 13, Proposition 204, and others

#### Phase III Steps

- Step 1- Immediate actions
- Step 2- Short-term actions
- Step 3- Long-term actions

### Step 1- Immediate actions

- Select priority projects
- Re-engage member agencies
- Form the advisory committee
- Develop cooperative agreements
- Begin developing project proposals
- Coordinate with other organizations and agency programs

### Step 2- Short-term Actions

- Coordinate with SWRCB/WWD EIR,
  SJVDA efforts, SLDMWA/USBR EIS,
  CALFED, CVRWQCB Basin Plan
- Develop a valley-wide coordination structure for project implementation

## Step 3- Long-term Actions

- Participate in the environmental planning of projects
- Recommend to other agencies to fund the projects
- Analyze and demonstrate efficacy of in-valley options
- Establish periodic drainage updates

## Summary

- Identify priority projects
- Coordinate agency programs/funds
- Direct funds at priority projects
- Coordinate agency/stakeholder efforts

### Input From Stakeholders

- Phase III Document has been endorsed by:
  - WWD and Tulare Lake Drainage District
  - Has a tentative approval from SJVDIP
- Is a working document and can be revised

• Any response or comments?

## Grassland In-Valley Disposal

- Cooperators;
  - Grassland Area Farmers, USBR, and DWR
- Purpose:
  - Develop drainage reduction, reuse,
    treatment, and disposal projects
  - Meet CVRWQCB discharge requirements

